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To: N.C. Structural Pest Control Licensees & Certified Applicators

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Subject: Extension of 6/30/2020 Recertification Date due to COVID-19 & Renewals

During the Structural Pest Control Committee conference call meeting held on 4/9/2020 the Committee considered information from the Division concerning the postponements of exams and the limited availability of training for Continuing Education Credits since mid-March due to COVID-19. It was discussed that Licensees and Certified Applicators who need to retest for Recertification by 6/30/2020 have been unable to do so due to exam postponements. Considering that License, Certified Applicator and Registered Technician renewals are due by 6/30/2020, the Committee approved a motion that the Division be allowed to extend the Recertification period until 9/30/2020. This extension is for individuals with a 6/30/2020 recertification expiration date and who do not meet their credit requirements by this deadline. This extension will allow Licensees and Certified Applicators the opportunity to renew their credentials for the 2020-2021 year with the understanding that they must meet their Recertification requirements by 9/30/2020. Failure by an individual to meet their recertification requirements by 9/30/2020 will result in the expiration of the License/Certified Applicator card and a retest will be required. Currently all exams are postponed through 5/31/2020 and a decision will soon be made about the status of future exams. Since most in-person, training meetings have been postponed or canceled, you may want to visit our web page that lists online courses that are available: https://www.ncagr.gov/SPCAP/structural/documents/On-DemandWorkshops19-20April29.pdf Please visit our web site frequently for updates or contact our office if you have any questions.

License, Certified Applicator and Registered Technician renewal packages will be mailed out as usual by May 1, 2020. All renewals must be postmarked by 6/30/2020 as in past years. The Division recommends that you track the mailing of your renewal package so that you will have a record of the date it is received at our office. If you are hand-delivering your renewal package to our office in Raleigh please be advised that our office is still closed to visitors. You may leave your renewal package on the table located in our front vestibule.